MINUTES OF THE TRANSPORTATION INTERIM COMMITTEE

Wednesday, April 16, 2008 – 9:00 a.m. – Room W025 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. Todd E. Kiser, House Chair Sen. Carlene M. Walker, Senate Chair

Sen. Scott K. Jenkins Sen. Sheldon L. Killpack

Sen. Karen Mayne

Sen. Kevin T. VanTassell Rep. Stephen D. Clark Rep. Bradley M. Daw

Rep. Ben C. Ferry

Rep. Richard A. Greenwood

Rep. Lynn N. Hemingway

Rep. Kory M. Holdaway

Rep. Brad King

Rep. Ronda Rudd Menlove Rep. Paul A. Neuenschwander Rep. LaWanna Lou Shurtliff

Rep. Mark W. Walker

Members Excused:

Rep. Bradley G. Last

Staff Present:

Mr. Leif G. Elder, Policy Analyst

Ms. Shannon C. Halverson, Associate General Counsel

Ms. Tracey Fredman, Legislative Secretary

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

1. Committee Business

Chair Kiser called the meeting to order at 9:08 a.m. Rep. Last was excused from the meeting.

MOTION: Rep. Shurtliff moved to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2007 meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Rep. Holdaway and Rep. Menlove were absent for the vote.

2. Automotive Collection Activities

Representative Neal B. Hendrickson introduced 2008 General Session HB 147, "Restrictions on Regulation of Automotive Collection Activities." He discussed the provisions of the bill and responded to questions from the Committee.

Mr. Lincoln Shurtz, Utah League of Cities and Towns, distributed and discussed "Municipal Requests to Respond to 'Junked' Cars" and said the issue would be better handled locally rather than through legislation.

Rep. Hendrickson said he is willing to work with the League of Cities and Towns to consider the issue on the local level.

3. Driver License Issues

Ms. Halverson and Mr. Elder distributed and presented "Driver License Issues: Real ID Act of 2005 and The Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative." Ms. Halverson presented key policy questions for committee discussion.

Ms. Nanette Rolfe, Director, Driver License Division, distributed a packet including "Timeline for Real ID Implementation," "Materially Compliant Gap Analysis," "Fully Compliant Gap Analysis," and "2008 Real ID Demonstration Grant Budget Detail Worksheet." Ms. Rolfe reported that the state has asked for an extension of the May 11, 2008 implementation date to allow sufficient time to review the necessary requirements found in the final rules recently released by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

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Mr. Bill Lloyd, Manager, Department of Public Safety, Driver License Division, discussed requirements that need to be completed for the state to be in compliance with the security upgrades required by the Real ID Act of 2005 by 2011.

4. Centennial Highway Fund Update

Mr. John Njord, Executive Director, Utah Department of Transportation, distributed and reviewed "Centennial Highway Fund Projects."

5. Interim Study Items

Chair Kiser asked that committee members return the "Study Item Prioritization Survey" from the mailing packet to staff before the end of the day.

Mr. Chuck Chappell, Executive Director of the Wasatch Front Regional Council, announced that Chair Walker and Chair Kiser have been newly appointed to membership on the Council. Mr. Chappell expressed support for this decision.

6. Other Items / Adjourn

MOTION: Rep. Neuenschwander moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. Sen. Killpack and Rep. King were absent for the vote.

Chair Kiser adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.